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## FOOD FOR THE WASTE BASKET.

### All Country Papers Should Follow Suit.

Chicago, May 16, 1901.  
The Democrat.  
Monroe City, Mo.  
Dear Sir:  
Will you please give us your lowest rate for yearly contract on enclosed ad., ad to appear once a week (12 times per year no change.  
It will be to your interest to give us lower than agency rates as we will have to use your columns very frequently to advertise Specialties and Special Bargains.  
Your prompt attention will greatly oblige.  
Yours truly,

The above letter is a sample of several recieved in this office and have been chucked into the waste basket. This paper positively refuses any and all advertisements from MAIL ORDER HOUSES. It works too hard, too persistently and honestly for the upbuilding of Monroe City to be or to become a party to its undoing.

The DEMOCRAT'S advice to every one is to let all mail order houses severely alone.

When you buy from your home grocer, dry goods man or any other merchant you in the first place see and know just what you get and know there is neither short weights, short measurements or substitution. Go to your home merchant with a \$10 bill and he will do as well or better than any mail order house can. His freights are less than you can get personally or through an outside house! When pinched for cash, and your flour bbl. is empty, or you want a dress, trimmings, lace, gloves or any article, do you go to the mail order house? If you want a lift on a road, bridge or any public improvement do you go to a mail order house? When out of work or ill do you send to your mail order house for provisions or clothes? Does the mail order house build your schools, your churches or help pay their expenses? The MERCHANTS of Monroe City do better by you than a mail order house can do, and he would not dare to swindle you if he was inclined to do so. The DEMOCRAT will stand by home first, last and all the time and declines to assist the metropolitan merchants in swindling the home people, therefore for once and all it declines that class of advertising. Stand by your home and it will stand by you. Go back on your home and you deserve a new one in a warm cline.

The Monroe City merchants are O. K., there are none better, nor more liberal in their business transactions.

### Woodson—Vandeventer.

W. S. Woodson and Miss Charlie Vandeventer, of Florida, Mo., were joined in the bonds of holy matrimony at the home of the brides sister, Mrs. O. P. Browning last evening by Rev. J. E. Travis. May the God of plenty and pleasure hover over them!

## A Hot Time.

When the ball game was called Friday afternoon at the Robertshaw park it meant a hot time and fun for the large crowd of spectators and some good work by the players.

The rivals were, professional gentlemen vs the merchants, but in the division it was hard to tell tuther from which. Capt. W. H. Wilson had for battery. Wray Fuqua and Elmer Evans. E. Hallock on 1st, B. Bull. 2nd W. H. Wilson 3rd, W. Finks held down short stop, while E. Vaughn played right, F. Christian, left and B. O. Wood center field.

Hon. R. L. Woodson captained the professionals, and they were birds. Battery, R. Turner and M. Hawkins, H. Jarman, R. L. Woodson and Rev. R. B. Briney were 1st, 2nd, and 3rd basemen, L. G. Tracy short stop, Judge R. Merriweather right, John Owen, center and W. J. Rouse left field.

The batting would discount the Browns. The fielding the Cincinnati's and the mugging the Baltimore's. The Bostons would not have been in it with the field work and the battery's, well we will let the other fellow describe their grand and glorious work.

For inside, outside, upside and downside curves Mark Hawkins did it, but for hard shots R. B. Briney placed the balls.

Wray Fuqua stopped balls till one of Finks split his hand. Just before that when at the bat Briney knocked Fuqua out by planting a hot one in the small of his back

The next man to be crippled was F. Christian his right hand was split open by a hot liner. B. O. Woods batting and running was worth more than a trip to the Pan American.

Rev. Briney took a header on the sod, it was forty feet from start to finish and gracefully performed.

Dan Rice never had a high and lofty tumbler that could fall as far and stand on his head at the end of it, as Judge Merriweather did.

A hot dinner caught Mark Hawkins on the thigh and laid him up for repairs. Editor Rouse left his mascot at home for he never got further than second base, where he was invariably put out. At the beginning of the 7th inning one half of both teams was laid up for repairs and fresh men were in their places.

Many good plays were made and some others, well, every one had more than their moneys worth.

Umpire Leake though he was overlooking his empire, but was not a despot, because he ruled as the players told him to and frequently they told him two ways, but that didn't count.

At the beginning of the 8th inning the score stood 20 to 25 in favor of the professional gentlemen, but before the first half of the 8th inning was finished it was 26 to 25 in favor of the merchants and at that stage they cried quit. The players were all tired so consented. J. W. Johnston was the custodian of the score card. A happy and hungry crowd went home to supper. Don't ask them how they felt next morning.

## Gwelback.

Miss Bertha Jaeger, is becoming noted for her easy, graceful and unique manner of entertaining her young friends. She frequently springs a surprise on them.

Thursday afternoon she entertained the Kismet Club and after enjoying the usual game of whist (bless your heart the dear girls do eat) delicate refreshments, a portion of which, some were at a loss to know how to handle. Of course they knew what to do with coffee and cake but the Gwelback, well, what would you have done? It did not take the quick witted ladies long to find out that it was sweet, that it was good and bless you the eatable with the big name did the disappearing act in a hurry.

Ladies present were Misses Louise Lyon, Carolyn McClintic Ada McClintic, Lou Jordon, Mary Carson, Anna Boulware, Adelaide Lear and Mesdames R. S. McClintic and R. E. Lear. Gwelback, think you can remember.

## Compromises.

Tuesday was a busy day for two of the druggists, Hugh B. Mudd, of Thirst Parlor fame filed complaint against Dr. Geo. L. Turner, J. J. Fitzpatrick and L. C. Saunders, charging illicit handling of liquors, Dr. Turners cases were compromised, paying \$140 and cost, in two other actions, J. J. Fitzpatrick compromised paying \$40 and cost. The charges against Mr. Saunders were held in obedience. Dr. Turner promised to quit handling tangle foot and to that end sold his stock to Mr. Mudd. Attorneys for the prosecution Maj. R. B. Bristow, Hon. W. T. Ragland, Hon. F. W. McAllister and Hon. R. L. Woodson. For the defense Hon. Geo. W. White cotton and A. D. Bell.

## City Trouble.

Time and again has this paper called the attention of the city authorities to the condition of its side walks. It has not been through a spirit of fault finding, but one cause is enough, an economical or business point of view. It is better and by far cheaper to build a mile of good side walk than to stand one law suit. The City has had one suit and came within an ace of having the second one Tuesday morning. Uncle Jack Mastin left his property at the Cor. of Second and Davis streets and started down Davis on the west side. The city crossing ally between First and second streets is raised several inches higher than the walk that joins it on the north and that caused the old gentleman to trip his toe, pitch forward and get a hard fall that shook him up generally. His nose was badly skinned and both knees barked. If a limb had have been broken he would have put the "screws" to city instead of grumbling about the "dratted" walk, as he did. A stitch in time saves nine and unless several side walks and connections are made as they should be the city will have trouble.

I will be absent from my Studio from Monday till Thursday, May 27th to May 30th, inclusive.

BELLE JOHNSON.

## Decoration Day. PROGRAM.

Music ..... Band.  
Opening Song ..... American.  
Prayer ..... Rev. R. B. Briney.  
Song ..... Quartett.  
Speech ..... Hon. R. L. Woodson.  
Music ..... Band.  
Address ..... Dr. I. W. Reed.

Line of march from park over Court St. to Main. South on Main to Winter St. thence to cemetery.

Order of march—Band, Old soldiers—the Blues and the Grays, Lodges—Masonic, Odd Fellows, A. O. U. W.'s Woodmen, Court of Honor, Married Men's League.—Citizens  
Short talk at cemetery by Rev. W. H. James.

Decoration of Graves.  
Music ..... Band  
Benediction ..... Rev .....  
Reform lines and march to Main Street.

Marshal—Dr. W. B. A. McNutt—Assistants John Stephens, Judge McCarty.

Exercises to begin promptly at 2:00 p. m. at north park.

All citizens are requested to bring flowers.

Committee on arrangements: O. W. Colgate, Alex Woods, George Balzer, Sam Demaree, Joseph Hays, W. C. VanGlahn, R. F. Hixson.

The sermon applicable to decoration day will be delivered by Rev. J. A. Wailes at the Methodist church Sunday evening.

All the lodges named have taken action on the question except the Masons. They will go before them at their meeting Friday night.

The lodges will meet at their respective halls and march to the park at 2:00 p. m.

Nearly all of the stores will close from 2:00 to 4:00.

## Northeast Missouri Editors.

The Northeast Missouri Press Association was in session at Macon Thursday and Friday. It was a business session and was well attended. Col Brees has the thanks of the members for courtesies extended. President Howard Ellis performed his duties to the satisfaction of all and was handsomely remembered with a very pretty silver set.

John Scsey, of the Palmyra Spectator, was elected president; W. C. Biggs, of the Queen City Leader, vice president; C. P. Vandiver, of Chariton Courier second vice president; Henry Robbins, of Macon Citizen, secretary; J. E. Swanger, of Milan Republican, treasurer.

## Blackburn.

Hon. W. F. Blackburn, of Hannuwell, an old resident of Shelby county after a long illness passed away. Tuesday, at his home. For many years he was prominent in life and filled high positions. He was an Ex-Representative of his county, president of the Hannuwell bank, an all around good business man, father of Hon. Cash Blackburn of the State Auditors office, father of J. F. Blackburn druggist at Elsberry, Mo., and the father of seven other children. He was 76 years old when he passed between the gates that swing between forever and never more.

## The First.

Monday evening was the first of a series of band concerts to be given at the North Park during the season. The music rendered by the young gentlemen was fine and highly appreciated by the large number of people present. If the threatening weather was taken into consideration, the crowd was immense. The Presbyterian ladies catered to the palates of those who enjoyed ices and cake and everything went as merry as a wedding feast.

## STOUTSVILLE FIRE.

### Big Loss—But Little Insurance Only Two Business Houses Remain.

Friday night the business portion of the hustling little village of Stoutsville was almost totally destroyed. About 2 o'clock fire was discovered over the racket store, and soon the village was in ashes. The buildings burned were mostly frame but the Dooly store building was one of the best buildings in the county. It is supposed that the fire was of incendiary origin. Phoenix like the village will rise from its ashes and will be more substantial than heretofore. Pluck and merit wins and consequently Frank Tipton, of the Banner, will win out as he deserves. His office was totally destroyed and he carried no insurance, but the Banner will continue to wave just the same. Until other arrangements can be made it will be printed in this office. The continuation of the Banner at this time means much to Stoutsville.

The losses as near as can be figured at present are:

Dooly Brothers, general merchandise, \$15,000.  
Bank of Stoutsville, \$200.  
Stoutsville BANNER, \$1,000.  
S. T. Pollard, telephone exchange, \$200.  
D. W. Lyon, drugstore, \$1500.  
Wm. James, racket store, \$300.  
S. R. Major, harness shop, \$500.  
P. E. Dooley, city restaurant, \$500.  
Dr. Griffith, office, \$200.  
R. B. Clawson, Broadway mill, \$1,000.  
J. S. Walters, hardware and furniture, \$5,000.  
Tully & Saunders, meat shop, \$200.  
C. J. Loutenschlager, blacksmith, \$400.  
Watson & Wood, druggists, \$800.  
On buildings, H. Dooley lost \$75,000.  
O. F. Woodson, \$1,000.  
J. P. Sohlinger, damage to postoffice, \$50.00.  
S. G. Woodson & Son, damage, \$75.00.  
J. W. Mallonee, damage, \$40.  
R. E. Ellis, damage, \$100.  
Those who carried insurance were:  
H. Dooley, \$2,000.  
Dooley Brothers, \$3,000.  
J. S. Walters, \$1,500.  
D. W. Lyon, \$1,000.  
Wm. James, \$100.  
S. R. Major, \$700.  
Total loss, \$108,990.  
Total insurance, \$8,300, leaving a net loss of \$100,690.

As regular as the season rolls around Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Montgomery of near Clapper, bring their wool clip to this city and then do their trading. They invariably pay the DEMOCRAT office a pleasant and cheerful visit while in town. The neighbors will be surprised Sunday to see the old gentleman playing the part of dude, for his better half informed us on the quite, that he had bought a real nice pair of up-to-date breeches. So look out.